

REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 5-13, and 15-24 and 26-27 will be pending upon entry of the present amendment. Claims 1, 3, 5-8, 11-12, 15-19, 22-23, and 26 are being amended. Claims 4, 14, 25, and 28-29 are being canceled. No new matter is presented.

The applicants appreciate the indication that claims 3-11, 14-22, and 25-26 are directed to allowable subject matter. Claims 1, 12, and 23 are being amended to include the elements of claims 4, 14, and 25, respectively. Claims 3, 5-8, 11, and 15-19 are being placed in independent form. Claims 2, 9-11, 20-21, 24, and 26-27 depend on one of the above-amended independent claims. Accordingly, all pending claims are in condition for allowance.

The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees due by way of this Amendment, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-1090.

All of the claims remaining in the application are now clearly allowable. Favorable consideration and a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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